REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action mailed April 27, 2005, the Examiner has rejected Claims 1, 2, and 6-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Butts et al. (US 5,065,997), and has rejected Claims 4 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Butts et al. (US 5,065,997) in view of Keyes (US 5,803,705). However, the Examiner has kindly indicated that Claims 3 and 5 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. By this paper, Claim 1 has been amended to more particularly point out that which the Applicant regards as the invention by including the subject matter of Claim 2 (cancelled without prejudice) and the allowable subject matter of Claim 3 (also cancelled without prejudice). Further, blanks on page 1 of the specification have now been filled in, and Claims 4, 5, 6, and 9 have been amended to clarify certain minor informalities, and more particularly point out that which the Applicant regards as the invention (Claim 7 has also been cancelled without prejudice). Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent Claim 1, and Claims 4-6 and 8-11 dependent directly or indirectly thereon, which are the claims remaining in this Application, are now allowable.

Applicant is not aware of any additional patents, publications, or other information not previously submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office which would be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.99.

This Application is now believed to be in condition for favorable reconsideration and early allowance, and such actions are respectfully requested.

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